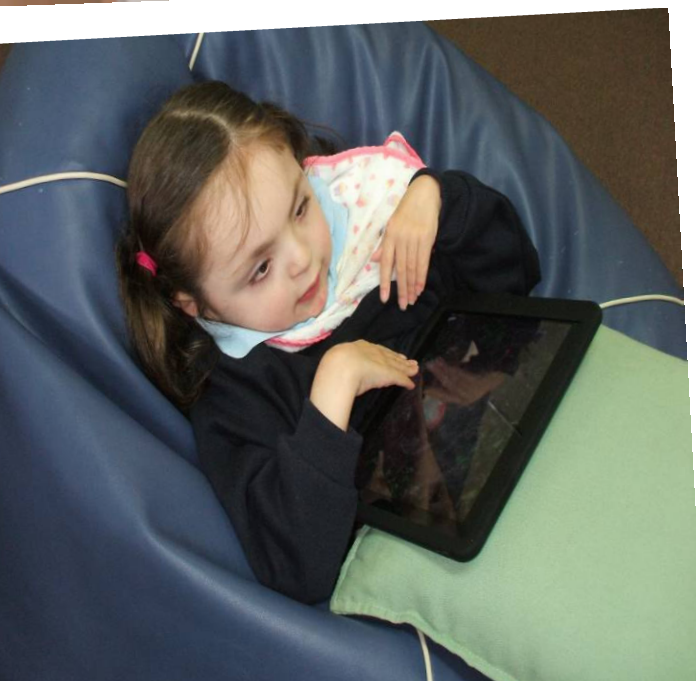


# iPads in Special Education

Suggested applications  
and activities



**Published by the Communications Division  
for Student Wellbeing Division  
Department of Education and  
Early Childhood Development**  
Melbourne  
November 2010


© State of Victoria (Department of Education  
and Early Childhood Development) 2010

The copyright in this document is owned by the State of Victoria (Department of Education and Early Childhood Development), or in the case of some materials, by third parties (third party materials). No part may be reproduced by any process except in accordance with the provisions of the Copyright Act 1968 the National Education Access Licence for Schools (NEALS) (see below) or with permission.

NEALS is an educational institution situated in Australia which is not conducted for profit, or a body responsible for administering such an institution may copy and communicate the materials, other than third party materials, for the educational purposes of the institution.

Authorised by the Department of Education  
and Early Childhood Development,  
2 Treasury Place, East Melbourne, Victoria, 3002.

## Contents

<b>1. Getting started with your iPad applications .....</b>	<b>3</b>
Categories.....	3
Core Apps .....	3
Level .....	3
Suggested Groups .....	3
<b>2. Organisational Apps .....</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>3. Communication and Assistive Technology Apps .....</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>4. Reading Apps.....</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>5. Writing Apps.....</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>6. Maths Apps.....</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>7. Art and Technology Apps .....</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>8. Music and Songs Apps.....</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>9. Reference Apps.....</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>10. Games .....</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>11. Using the iPad as a Teaching and Learning tool in the Classroom.....</b>	<b>19</b>
Organisation/ Communication.....	19
Literacy .....	19
Mathematics.....	20
Other Curriculum Areas .....	20
<b>12. Accessibility Through the iPad.....</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>13. iPads and the Ultranet and Useful Links  .....</b>	<b>22</b>
Useful Links .....	22



## 1. Getting started with your iPad applications

This list of apps has been compiled to provide a starting point for choosing and using apps in your classroom.

### Categories

The apps have been grouped according to nine categories:

- Organisational Apps
- Communication and Assistive Technology Apps
- Reading Apps
- Writing Apps
- Maths Apps
- Art and Technology Apps
- Music and Song Apps
- Reference Apps
- Games Apps.

The apps detailed in this document are just a sample of the exciting apps currently available. New apps are being created everyday and it is good practice to research the web regularly for apps that could enhance the teaching and learning in your classroom.

### Core Apps

In each category, some apps have been given a star rating (★). These apps are strongly recommended for use in the classroom.

### Level

Each app has been categorised according to the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS):

- Low: Towards Level 1 → Level 1
- Mid: Level 2 → Level 4
- High: Level 5 → Level 6.







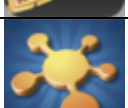



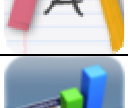



### Suggested Groups

The apps are also categorised in four groups:



- HI - Students with a Hearing Impairment
- ASD - Students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder
- LS - Students with Low Support Needs
- HS - Students with High Support Needs

**Apps, levels and suggested groups are intended as a guide only and teachers may find an app that can be successfully used across many levels of the VELS with students of varying needs.**









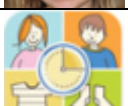

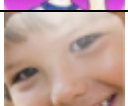


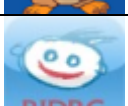

## 2. Organisational Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Chapters</u></a>	Create and manage multiple notebooks. ✱	High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Documents To Go- Office Suite</u></a>	A suite that supports the viewing and editing of Word and Excel documents.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Dropbox</u></a>	Enables you to sync and share files online and across computers. ✱	High	HI, LS
	<a href="#"><u>GoodReader</u></a>	Use this app to view, annotate and highlight PDF files. ✱	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>iReadItNow</u></a>	Students are able to keep records of their reading activities, record phrases from books and make notes on books read.	Mid-high	All
	<a href="#"><u>iReward</u></a>	A reward chart designed to provide positive reinforcement.	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>iThoughts</u></a>	A mind mapping tool. ✱	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Keynote</u></a>	The presentation application for Mac. ✱	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Mobile Mouse</u></a>	Use the iPad as a wireless remote or trackpad for the computer or interactive whiteboard. ✱	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>my Homework</u></a>	An organiser that allows students to keep track of their homework, classes, projects and tests.	Mid-high	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Numbers</u></a>	The spreadsheet application for Mac. ✱	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Outliner</u></a>	An app that helps to organise your day, including thoughts and tasks.	Mid-High	HI, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Pages</u></a>	The word processor for Mac. ✱	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Polldaddy</u></a>	Offers a range of surveys to choose from and use in the classroom.	Mid-high	HI, LS

## 2. Organisational Apps





Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Popplet</u></a>	An app that can be used to create photo galleries, record thoughts and explore ideas.	Mid-high	All
	<a href="#"><u>Remote Desktop</u></a>	Enables you to access your work computer from your iPad.	Mid-High	All

### 3. Communication and Assistive Technology Apps






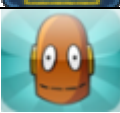





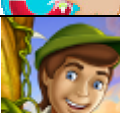
Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>ArtikPix</u></a>	Students are able to practise their articulation through the use of flashcards and matching activities.	Mid	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Austism Xpress</u></a>	Encourages students to recognise and express emotions.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Baby sign language using Auslan</u></a>	Displays a range of basic signs using Auslan.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Caster</u></a>	Use this app to create and publish podcasts on the iPad.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>eClicker</u></a>	Teachers can poll students during lessons and receive immediate feedback.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Expressionist</u></a>	Models common expressions for students to experience.	Mid-high	All
	<a href="#"><u>iBaldi</u></a>	Baldi will read aloud any typed or imported text, at a chosen speed and using many different expressions.	Any	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>iCommunicate</u></a>	Create pictures, flashcards, storyboards, routines and visual schedules. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>iPrompts</u></a>	This app includes visual prompting tools-picture schedules, a countdown timer, choice prompts and an image library. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Learn to Talk</u></a>	Interactive flashcards with basic words and simple phrases.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Look In My Eyes</u></a>	Focuses on students making eye contact.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Moods</u></a>	Students are able to select and display their current mood. Data is kept to track changes in moods over time.	Mid-high	All
	<a href="#"><u>Proloquo2Go</u></a>	Sentences/ phrases are constructed through selecting symbols from a variety of categories. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>RIDBC Auslan Tutor</u></a>	Models the hand shape needed and includes a video clip to demonstrate how to produce 150 common Auslan signs.	Any	HI
	<a href="#"><u>Speak it!</u></a>	An app that will transfer text into speech.	Any	All






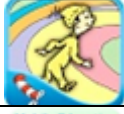



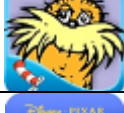

### 3. Communication and Assistive Technology Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>TapSpeak Button</u></a>	A digital voice recorder that will save an unlimited number of messages ready to play at any time.	Any	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>TapToTalk</u></a>	Provides a library of grouped pictures for students to express their needs.	Mid-high	All
	<a href="#"><u>Visules</u></a>	Teachers can quickly access visual clues- can be added to and adapted to meet a variety of needs.	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Voice4u</u></a>	Using this app, students will be able to express their feelings, thoughts, actions and requests.	Low-Mid	All









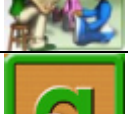
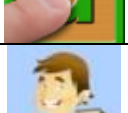


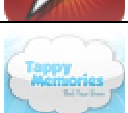


## 4. Reading Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>ABA Flash Cards- Actions</u></a>	52 clear, colourful action-related images with labels.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>ABC Animals</u></a>	Each letter of the alphabet is represented by an animal, which is clearly spoken.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>ABC Wildlife</u></a>	Learn about letters and animals through photos, clear labels and videos.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Angry Octopus</u></a>	A story designed to relax its readers.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Animal Fun</u></a>	Lists a range of animals in alphabetical order for students to explore.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Animalia</u></a>	An interactive book by Graeme Base.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Bartleby's Book of Buttons Vol.1</u></a>	An interactive book.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>BrainPOP</u></a>	A featured movie each day with an interactive quiz.	Mid-High	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Danny the Dragon 'Meets Jimmy'</u></a>	This is a story students can read themselves or have read to them. It can also be told through ASL.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Ebook Reader</u></a>	Gives access to a large variety of books with accessibility features.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Free books</u></a>	Students are able to select from a large range of classic books to enjoy.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Green Eggs and Ham – Dr. Seuss</u></a>	An interactive storybook.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>iBooks</u></a>	Choose books to download and read. Recommended start book- iPad User guide (free)	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Interactive Alphabet</u></a>	Each letter of the alphabet is presented in a fun, colourful and animated way.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Jack and the Beanstalk</u></a>	An interactive storybook.	Low-Mid	All






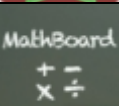
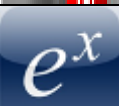

## 4. Reading Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Kindle</u></a>	Provides a library of books to download, with many additional features.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Marvel Comics</u></a>	Provides a library of comic books to download.	All	All
	<a href="#"><u>Miss Spider's Tea Party</u></a>	An interactive storybook with additional activities.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Oh, the Places You'll Go! – Dr. Seuss</u></a>	An interactive storybook.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Question Builder</u></a>	Develops skills to answer who, what, where and how questions.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Tales From Signtown Vols 1-8</u></a>	Stories are retold through text and BSL.	Mid-High	HI
	<a href="#"><u>The Cat in the Hat – Dr. Seuss</u></a>	An Interactive storybook.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>The Lorax- Dr. Seuss</u></a>	An Interactive storybook.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Toy story Read-Along</u></a>	An interactive version of the well known story with additional activities.	Low-Mid	All


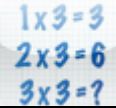



## 5. Writing Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>ABC Phonics</u></a>	Focuses on letter recognition, formation and listening skills with animals.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Abc PocketPhonics</u></a>	Supports the teaching of letter sounds, letter writing and the spelling of basic words.	Low-Mid	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Alphaboard</u></a>	Gives students the option of using an alpha-numeric keyboard.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>FirstWords: At Home</u></a>	A scaffolded approach towards learning the first basic words related to home.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>FirstWords: Deluxe</u></a>	A scaffolded approach towards learning the first basic words related to five themes.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>iWriteWords</u></a>	Supports the teaching of letter writing and spelling words.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Poet's Pad</u></a>	A creative tool for writing poetry.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Pocket Charts!</u></a>	Reinforces the teaching of uppercase and lowercase letters.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Sentence Builder</u></a>	Supports students in their construction of grammatically correct sentences.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Spell Blocks with Sight Words</u></a>	Students are challenged to make over 200 sight words from scrambled letter choices.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Stories2Learn</u></a>	An app that provides a structure to create personalised stories using text and pictures.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>StoryKit</u></a>	Provides a range of stories for children to edit and the tools for students to create an electronic storybook of their own.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Strip Designer</u></a>	Students can create their own cartoon strip, with a feature that enables them to insert photos of their own.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Tappy Memories</u></a>	A tool to record special memories with the aid of prompts, if needed. ✨	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Word Magic</u></a>	Students are challenged to fill in missing letters at the start, middle and end of words.	Low- Mid	All



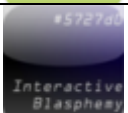



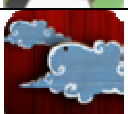

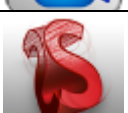
## 6. Maths Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Ace Kids Math Games</u></a>	Supports the teaching of counting, adding and subtracting using colourful visual aids.	Low- Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Calculator</u></a>	A calculator that enables more complex calculations, including a scientific section.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>iPuzzle</u></a>	Includes a variety of puzzles with a range of levels available.	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Jumbo Calculator</u></a>	A large buttoned calculator.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>KidCalc</u></a>	A motivational app that practises counting, number recognition and number tracing skills.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Math Bingo</u></a>	Students can practise their adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing skills in a fun way.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Math Magic</u></a>	A game that focuses on building adding, taking away and multiplying skills.	Mid	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>MathBoard</u></a>	This app presents a range of problems with modelled answers included when needed.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Mathemagics</u></a>	Students can learn and practise strategies for multiplying, dividing and squaring.	Mid	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Mathematical Formulas</u></a>	Provides easy access to a range of formulas.	High	HI, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Monkey Preschool Lunchbox</u></a>	A series of fun, basic maths based activities.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>My first puzzles</u></a>	A choice of 14 bright and colourful puzzles to complete.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Pad Math</u></a>	Supports the teaching of more complex addition, subtraction, multiplication and division algorithms.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Park Math</u></a>	Provides an introduction to basic maths concepts through fun, interactive activities.	Low	All




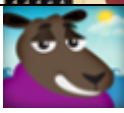
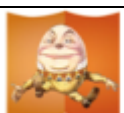





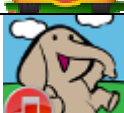
## 6. Maths Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Shape Builder</u></a>	A variety of colourful puzzles with easy to move pieces.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Times Tables</u></a>	A chance to practise and be tested on times tables 2s through to 12s.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Toddler Counting</u></a>	Supports the teaching of accurate counting.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Whizzit 123</u></a>	An animated app that creates opportunities to count a variety of objects up to 20.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Times Tables - Whizzkidz</u></a>	Provides reference tables and challenges to encourage students to learn their tables from 2-12.	Mid	All

## 7. Art and Technology Apps

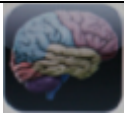












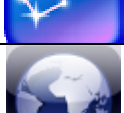

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>123 Color</u></a>	An American colouring book which includes a choice of pictures for students to colour in.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>123 World Geography</u></a>	An American colouring book app that presents a choice of maps for students to colour in, with voice-overs of the colours.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Blasphemous RGB/HSB/Hex</u></a>	Find, browse and use hexadecimal colour values.	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Doodle Buddy</u></a>	Students can finger paint with a range of tools and colours. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Drawing Pad</u></a>	An app for drawing, with a range of tools and colours. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>iCreate</u></a>	This app provides opportunities for students to create different scenes.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Puppet Pals</u></a>	Students are able to create their own shows using animation and audio.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>ReelDirector</u></a>	Provides a structure for students to create videos with titles and effects.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>SketchBook Pro</u></a>	A sophisticated digital sketchbook.	High	HI, ASD, LS

## 8. Music and Songs Apps




Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>GrooveMaker</u></a>	Using this app, students can create and mix a range of tracks.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Magic Piano</u></a>	Among its many features, students are given the opportunity to play the keyboard in a spiral or horizontal format.	All	All
	<a href="#"><u>Six Strings</u></a>	Students are able to play a virtual guitar and range of other virtual stringed instruments.	Mid-High	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Baa Baa Black Sheep</u></a>	An interactive version of the well-known rhyme.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Classic Nursery Rhymes</u></a>	Performs the nursery rhyme with the opportunity for some basic interaction.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>iXylophone</u></a>	iXylophone lets you listen to or play along to a variety of well known songs.	Low-Mid	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Itsy Bitsy Spider</u></a>	An interactive version of the well-known rhyme.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Old MacDonald</u></a>	Sing along and choose from a range of instruments to accompany the song.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Sound Touch</u></a>	Tap on a picture and a real-life picture of that object will appear, accompanied by its sound.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Wheels on the Bus</u></a>	An interactive version of the well-known rhyme.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Toddler JukeBox</u></a>	A choice of 12 songs for students to listen and sing along to.	Low	ASD, LS, HS



## 9. Reference Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>3D Brain</u></a>	Zoom around 29 structures of the brain.	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</u></a>	Provides quick access to up-to-date news from the ABC. ✨	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Australian Oxford Dictionary</u></a>	A full version of the Australian Oxford Dictionary. ✨	High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Curious George's dictionary</u></a>	An interactive picture dictionary that gives each definition in context.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Epicurious</u></a>	A cookbook app that includes a variety of recipes for many different occasions.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>First Words</u></a>	Students can build their vocabulary by seeing and hearing basic words in context.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Flipboard</u></a>	A quick way to flip through the news, photos and update friends shared on social network sites.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Frog Dissection</u></a>	Dissect a frog virtually!	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Getty Images</u></a>	Gives students access to a range of images.	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Google Earth</u></a>	Enables students to view anywhere in the world on a map and focus in on particular places of interest. ✨	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Smartkids Picture Dictionary</u></a>	A picture dictionary sorted into categories.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>NASA</u></a>	Explore space with NASA.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Planets</u></a>	A 3D guide to the solar system.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Star Walk</u></a>	An interactive astronomy guide. ✨	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>The World Factbook</u></a>	Gives facts, shows maps and makes comparisons between countries around the world.	Mid-High	All









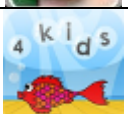




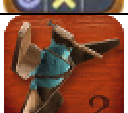
## 9. Reference Apps

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>Touch Physics</u></a>	Draw shapes that move according to physical laws.	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Wikipanion</u></a>	Gives quick and easy access to Wikipedia.	High	All
	<a href="#"><u>WolframAlpha</u></a>	Find out answers to any question.	Mid-High	All

## 10. Games

Icon	App Title	App Description	Level	Suggested Groups
	<a href="#"><u>8 Planets</u></a>	Games designed to help students learn about the solar system.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>A Mood pad</u></a>	Run your fingers over the pad and watch it change colours- very calming. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Align Four</u></a>	Based on the Connect Four game.	All	All
	<a href="#"><u>Animal world</u></a>	Students can learn about a variety of animals, their features and the sounds they make.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Boggle</u></a>	Students are challenged to create as many 3+ letter words as they can from the letters generated.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Charadium</u></a>	A draw and guess multi-player game.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Chess-wise</u></a>	Based on the original game.	Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Chicktionary</u></a>	Students are challenged to create as many 3+ letter words as they can from the letters generated.	Mid-High	HI, ASD, LS
	<a href="#"><u>Cookie Doodle</u></a>	Design and make your own cookies.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>iLove Fireworks</u></a>	Create your own firework display.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Fish School</u></a>	Supports the teaching of letter, number, shape and colour recognition through fun, interactive activities.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Forest Friends</u></a>	Meet all the forest friends through a range of fun activities, including an ebook and piano.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Glow Hockey</u></a>	Air hockey with glow graphics.	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Gravilux</u></a>	Gravilux is a combination of painting, animation, art, science and gaming. ✨	All	All
	<a href="#"><u>Gravitarium</u></a>	A great cause and effect app with dots that react in various ways when touched on the screen.	Low	All

## 10. Games

	<a href="#"><u>Hangman</u></a>	Based on the original game.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>iTouchiLearn</u></a>	Learn to spell and pronounce simple words through a variety of activities.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Jelly Doodle</u></a>	Create your own desserts through digital manipulation.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>MeMoves</u></a>	Perform finger movements to the beat of the music- an app designed to help calm and focus students. ✨	Any	All
	<a href="#"><u>Monopoly</u></a>	Based on the original game.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Pinball</u></a>	Based on the original game.	All	All
	<a href="#"><u>Pocket Pond</u></a>	A pond with many interactive features.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Preschool Adventure</u></a>	8 activities based around the alphabet, animals, colours, shapes, sounds and matching.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>RedFish 4 Kids</u></a>	A range of motivational activities based around Literacy and Numeracy.	Low	All
	<a href="#"><u>Solitaire</u></a>	Based on the original game.	Mid-High	All
	<a href="#"><u>Talking Larry the Bird</u></a>	Students can interact with the bird and have spoken words/ phrases repeated back.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Talking Tom Cat</u></a>	Students can interact with the cat and have spoken words/ phrases repeated back.	Low	ASD, LS, HS
	<a href="#"><u>Tic Tac Toe</u></a>	Based on the original game.	Low-Mid	All
	<a href="#"><u>Zen Bound 2</u></a>	A meditative puzzle game.	Mid-High	All

## 11. Using the iPad as a Teaching and Learning tool in the Classroom

### Organisation/ Communication

- Use **iCommunicate** to create individualised social stories or schedules for the day.
- Download photos onto **iCommunicate** or **iPrompts** and use them to support a student in making choices (e.g., between own photo and photo of another person, their preferred snack or activity.)
- Use the visual countdown timer in **iPrompts** to demonstrate how much time is left until an activity ends.
- Use **Voice4u**, **TapToTalk** or **Proloquo2Go** to communicate thoughts, ideas, needs and questions throughout the school day.
- Use **iHomework** to help keep track of upcoming work deadlines.

### Literacy

- Use **DrawFree** or **Doodle Buddy** to provide opportunities for students to write/ draw. Insert pictures of numbers, letters or names for students to scribble/ trace over.
- Use **ABC Animals**, **Animal Fun Interactive Alphabet** or **Abc PocketPhonics** to support the teaching of letter recognition and formation.
- Use **Pocket Charts** to introduce and reinforce the concept of upper and lower case letters.
- Engage students in a one to one or guided reading experience through interactive books such as **Jack and the Beanstalk** and **The Cat in the Hat**.
- Use **Animal Match** to develop matching and memory skills.
- Use **Spell Blocks** regularly to give students individual practice with spelling over 200 sight words, and teachers the opportunity to keep track of each student's progress.
- Use **Puppet Pals** to produce a personalised puppet show to retell, modify or create a story.
- Use **Stories2Learn**, **Strip Designer** or **StoryKit** to create personalised school books compiled from photographs, pictures and labels of familiar objects.
- Use apps such as **Marvel Comics**, **The World Factbook** and **Epicurious** (a cookbook app) to provide a wide range of interest-appropriate reading materials.
- Use **Pages** to provide opportunities for students to edit and present written work.
- Use **iThoughts** to mind map ideas for a story, discussion or report.

## Mathematics

- Use **KidCalc** to support the teaching of number recognition.
- Use **Toddler Counting** to support students in learning to count accurately.
- Use **iPuzzle** or **Shape Builder** to develop a recognition of shapes and basic problem solving skills.
- Use **Math Bingo** to provide practice questions in all four operations.
- Use **Times Tables** as a warm up to practise times tables at an individual level.
- Use **MathBoard** to provide support and practice in a range of calculations.
- Use **Numbers** to record data, create spreadsheets, charts and graphs.

## Other Curriculum Areas

- Use apps such as **Gravitarium**, **Pocket Pond** and **Tap Speak Button** to support the teaching of cause and effect.
- Use **Toddler JukeBox** to help draw students' attention to sounds and sound patterns.
- Use **Talking Tom Cat** to provide opportunities for students to practise speaking key words.
- Use **Cookie Doodle** as an introduction to students designing and baking their own cookies.
- Use **MeMoves** as a movement-to-music activity to build students' coordination.
- Use **Caster** to create and publish podcasts about daily learning, classroom news or reactions to the introduction of the iPad in their classroom.
- Use **Google Maps** to plan out an area to be visited during a forthcoming excursion or reflect upon a past visit. Places can be marked and annotated. New maps can be created and saved.
- Use **Video Science** to demonstrate experiments broken down into simple steps. Students could then use this app as a reference to plan and execute their own modified experiment.
- Students study a subject area, using knowledge based apps such as **Planets**, **Star Walk** or **Frog Dissection**. Choose an area of interest to study in depth and respond to it using a pre agreed format, such as a play, poem, comic strip, book, song or PowerPoint presentation.
- Whilst undertaking a practical project, such as volunteer work within a school or community, students could be challenged with questions to reflect upon whilst recording their own experiences through **Tappy Memories**.
- Use **GrooveMaker** for students to create and mix a range of tracks.

## 12. Accessibility Through the iPad

<b>Name of Function</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Accessed through:</b>
<b>Closed Captioning</b>	The iPad can display subtitles and closed captioning when playing movies and podcasts that support this feature.	When searching for a specific genre in iTunes, there is an option to search for media that contains closed captioning only.
<b>Mono Audio</b>	Re-route both the left and right channel-audio into both headphones so they can be heard in either ear.	Settings- Accessibility- Mono Audio.
<b>Speak Auto-text</b>	If this function is enabled, as you're typing, a suggested word will be spoken to you at the same time as being shown on the screen.	Settings- Accessibility- Speak Auto-text.
<b>VoiceOver</b>	VoiceOver speaks items on the screen at a selected speed.	Settings- Accessibility- VoiceOver.
<b>White on Black</b>	To achieve a higher contrast, the iPad screen can be set to display white text against a black background.	Settings- Accessibility- White on Black.
<b>Zoom</b>	Allows you to magnify the screen up to five times its size.	Ensure the zoom function is set to On through Settings- Accessibility- Zoom. Double tap on the screen with 3 fingers, then slide them up the screen until you have zoomed in to your required size. Reverse this action to change the screen back to the normal size.

For further information about accessibility in Education relating to Autism, Hearing, Vision and more, please visit the Apple Accessibility Community Space: <http://treetops.org.au/groups/>

### 13. iPads, the Ultranet and Useful Links

Teachers are encouraged to rate the usefulness of apps and any new apps found via the designated iPads for Learning Trial space (53194999).

#### Useful Links

Here are some suggestions for websites you may find useful:

- AppShopper <http://appshopper.com/>
- iTunes App Store <http://itunes.apple.com/au/genre/mobile-softwareapplications/id36?mt=8>
- Apptism <http://www.apptism.com/>
- Best Apps Ever: <http://bestappever.com/awards/2009/>
- Educational Games [www.ar-entertainment.net/learning/ipad.html](http://www.ar-entertainment.net/learning/ipad.html)
- An Apple Apps list for Special Needs Education [Special Need Apps](#)
- Apple Accessibility <http://www.apple.com/au/accessibility/>
- A section devoted to resources to reach all learners  
<http://www.apple.com/au/education/reachall/learn/>
- Apps suggested for learners with multiple needs  
<http://teachinglearnerswithmultipleneeds.blogspot.com/2009/06/ipod-touchiphone-app-round-up-for-users.html>
- Speech and Language Pathology Sharing <http://slpsharing.com/>